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Connecting Rural America Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Apr 18, 2012)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]

Party: Democratic • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 18, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary

(as of Apr 18, 2012)

Connecting Rural America Act - Amends the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to include grants in the rural broadband loan program. Limits grants to not more than 50% of a project's development costs, with a waiver for up to 75% of such costs.

Provides higher grant rates for communities that are small, remote, high poverty, and working with specified stakeholders.

Authorizes appropriations for the program.

Actions Timeline

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